



UPCOUNTY CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD

Meeting Summary September 8, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Robert Nelson and an Invocation was led by Rev. Mansfield “Kasey” Kaseman.

Introductions were done.

The meeting summary from July 21 was approved as corrected. (Mr. Nelson had referred to an anti-bullying video, not literature; and to Centro Tepeyac, not the CASA program of Montgomery County.)

Update from the County Council – The final actions on the Clarksburg Ten Mile Creek Amendment are being done (rezoning to CRT, Sectional Map Amendment, Historic District; Councilmember Rice will have a meeting on September 22, at the Gaithersburg Library for the Montgomery Village Community; the Board of Appeals has an opening for new Chair & Board members; Councilmembers will host the annual “road show” which is the Maryland Department of Transportation’s overview of the 6-year consolidated transportation program.

Update from the Upcounty Regional Director – Catherine Matthews referred members to announcements in the recent newsletter, *Upcounty Today!*

Update on Holy Cross Germantown Hospital - Kevin J. Sexton, President & CEO, Holy Cross Hospital and Doug Ryder, President, Holy Cross Germantown Hospital both gave an update on their upcoming events – a community open house on September 21, and the official opening of the hospital on October 1.

Discussion: Fire & Rescue Services Master Plan – Scott Gutschick, Planner, Fire & Rescue Services discussed the Fire, Rescue, EMS and Community Risk Reduction Master Plan, and asked UCAB members to provide input by early to mid November concerning needs and priorities for the updated fire-rescue master plan.

Community Concerns/Comments – None

Discussion: MC311 Neighborhood Liaison Training – Leslie Hamm and Brian Roberts from the MC311 Call Center gave a training session on the MC311 Neighborhood Liaison Program, their efforts in partnering with health promoters and volunteer services, and on accessing information and creating or tracking service requests on their website at www.montgomerycountymd.gov/311.

Chair’s Report –None.

Committee / Liaison Reports – Land Use Committee Chair Mark Firley announced that the committee would meet again on September 15.

New Business/Announcements – Rev, Mansfield Kaseman announced that the 2nd Annual Friendship Picnic will be held at Wheaton Regional Park with the theme of Celebrating Diversity.

Board Attendance: Juan Cardenas, Brian Donohue, Cherian Eapen, Mark Firley, Scott B. Graham, Darlene Kerr, Annie McDonald, Robert Nelson, Daisha New, Tobi Printz-Platnick, Gail Robinson, David Rosenbaum, Pat Seals, and James Wallace.

Additional Guests: Rev. Mansfield Kaseman, Ginny Terhune (Gazette), Dennis Barnes, David Stein, Jackie Hawksford, Warren Hensen, Rosemary Akorian, Dale Tibbitts, Eileen Cahill, and Yolanda Gaskins

Staff: Catherine Matthews and Miquitta Scott

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